PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner: S. Luu

LAURENCE LAVENDEL, et al.

Group Art Unit:

Application No.: 08/944,435

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March 13, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 13, 1999 for three months from December 13, 1999 to March 13, 2000).

Submitted herewith is a check for \$870.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address. Respectfully submitted, Registration No. 39,000 FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, New York 10112-3801 Facsimile: (212) 218-2200 F-9528 - 2 -